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MINUTES.

SPARTANBURG BAPTIST CHURCH,

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1875.

The State Convention of the Baptist denomination of South Carolina began its fifty-fifth session this day at 7 P. M.

The body was called to order by the President, Rev. Dr. J. L. Reynolds, of Greenville, S. C., the President leading in prayer. The hymn, "I love to tell the story," was sung. Rev. J. C. Hiden read II Cor. iv, and led in prayer.

The introductory was preached by Rev. Luther Broadus, Eph. vi: 6—"As the servants of Christ doing the will of God from the heart."

THURSDAY MORNING.

The President called the Convention to order at 10 A. M. Hymn—"I love thy kingdom, Lord." The 28th chapter of Matthew was read. Prayer by Rev. Thos. Dawson.

After the enrollment of delegates, Brethren F. W Eason, W. L. Brown and D. T. Smith were appointed Tellers, and the Convention was organized by the election of Rev. J. L. Reynolds President, Rev. J. G. Landrum Vice-President, John B. Patrick and Rev. O. F. Gregory Secretaries, and C. H. Judson Treasurer.

During the counting of the votes, the Convention engaged in devotional exercises led by Brethren D. W. Cuttino and S. W. Ackerman.

At this stage of the proceedings, Bro. A. W. Lamar rose and presented a gavel to the President.

The President accepted the gift with thanks to the donor.

Applications for membership were received from Horeb, El Bethel, Beaverdam and Pacolet Churches, and were referred to the Committee on Applications for Membership, viz: J. A. Chambliss, W. L. Brown, A. K. Durham and B. W. Edwards.

On motion of Bro. A. K. Durham, a Committee on Obituary Notices was appointed to report during the present session, the committee appointed last year being absent. Brethren A. K. Durham, J. C. Furman, J. K. Mendenhall, T. W. Smith and R. N. Pratt constitute said committee.

On motion, visiting brethren of our denomination were invited to seats in the Convention. Rev. Dr. Dickinson of Virginia, Rev. Dr. McIntosh,

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Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Rev. Dr. J. P. Boyce and Joseph Werne of Louisville, Ky., and others accepted the invitation.

The President announced the Committee on Religious Services, viz: Rev. J. L. Vass, the Deacons of the Spartanburg Baptist Church, and Revs. F. W. Eason and A. W. Lamar.

On motion of Bro. Stout—

Resolved, That the sessions of this Convention be held from 10 to 1, and from 3 to 5 o'clock each day.

On motion of Bro. Judson—

Resolved, That the Secretaries of the Convention be instructed to continue the Statistical Table as found in the Minutes of 1871, and that energetic efforts be made to make that Table as complete as possible.

The following resolution, submitted by Bro. Shuck, was discussed and adopted:

Resolved, That the names of all Baptist ministers residing in States other than South Carolina be dropped from the list of South Carolina Baptist ministers.

The Secretaries having been appointed a Committee on Ministers' Names and Post Offices, Rev. O. F. Gregory submitted their report, which, after amendments, was adopted.

On motion of Bro. Eason, the Report of the Executive Board was made the special order for 11 A. M. on Friday.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

On Religious Services—Rev. J. L. Vass, J. J. Boyd, John E. Bomar, Jas. G. Harris, H. F. Scaife, R. P. Goodlett and Revs. F. W. Eason and A. W. Lamar.

On Accounts—Wm. Thayer, E. R. Stokes, B. W. Edwards, D. J. Bradham, F. C. v. Borstel.

On Nomination of Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention—J. L. Coker, Edwin C. Rice, I. G. McKissick, C. T. Scaife, John R. Leavell.

On Nomination of Executive Board—L. H. Shuck, L. Broadus, C. C. Brown, W. L. Brown, John Stout.

On Time and Place of Next Meeting and Persons to Preach—T. W. Smith, R. W. Sanders, S. W. Ackerman, J. L. Albright, G. W. Gardner.

On Names and Post Offices of Ministers—John B. Patrick and O. F. Gregory.

On Obituary Notices—F. W. Eason, D. W. Cuttino, C. A. Baynard, W. A. Pearson, W. B. Elkin.

On Foreign Missions—J. C. Hiden, J. L. Vass, W. H. Strickland, M. McGee, G. W. Bussey.

On Home Missions—L. H. Shuck, E. R. Carswell, Jr., W. J. Snider, T. R. Canty, J. C. Hudson.

On Sunday Schools—Frederick Jones, Robert Pratt, John S. Croxton, W. J. Hatfield, W. B. Plunkett.

On motion of Bro. J. C. Furman, Convention adjourned to afford the Trustees of Furman University an opportunity to hold a meeting.

Prayer by Rev. W. B. Elkin.

THURSDAY EVENING.

Sermon by Rev. A. B. Woodfin. Text—Romans iii : 20.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The Convention met at 10 o'clock, the President in the chair.

After singing the hymn, "O for a thousand tongues to sing," the 23rd Psalm was read. Prayer by Rev. J. P. Boyce.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday read, corrected and adopted.

Rev. W. L. Brown submitted the following report:

Your Committee on Applications for Membership respectfully report: That Bethel Church, Tyger River Association, Beaverdam Church, Reedy River Association, Horeb Church, Abbeville Association, El Bethel and Pacolet Churches, Broad River Association, have applied for membership in this body. We recommend their reception, they having contributed twenty dollars for each member sent up.

W. L. BROWN, Chairman.

On motion of Bro. Shuck—

Resolved, That a mass-meeting be held this evening in the interest of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, to be conducted by Rev. Dr. Wm. H. McIntosh, the Corresponding Secretary of said Board.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions was read by Rev. F. W. Eason, and laid on the table until after the mass-meeting to be held to-night.

Report of Committee on Home Missions.

Your committee would call the attention of the Convention to the fact that since our last meeting Rev. M. T. Sumner has resigned his position as Corresponding Secretary of the Home Mission Board, and has been succeeded by Rev. W. H. McIntosh, D.D., who is present with us and to whom we extend a most cordial greeting. We congratulate the Board on having obtained the services of our beloved brother Dr. McIntosh, and desire to express our hearty approval of their selection, and commend their wisdom in making so judicious a choice. We believe that new interest and increased efficiency will be given to this grand work of preaching Christ among the destitute in our land by their action in this particu-

lar. Owing to the unavoidable delay consequent upon the above mentioned resignation of Dr. Sumner, and the vacancy occasioned thereby, very much has not been accomplished in the way of extinguishing the debt of the Board reported at the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Charleston. Said debt was then stated to be about $13,000, and as the receipts since that time have been very light, it has not been much reduced. It therefore still stares us in the face and ought speedily to be extinguished, and we are called upon to take upon ourselves a part of the burden thereof and assist without delay in removing it altogether out of the way. How much will this Convention recommend as the share of South Carolina? and how much will we promise to raise towards this end?

Moreover, great destitution prevails in all the borders of our land. "There is yet much land to be possessed," and if the Board of Home Missions to whom this grand work has been assigned accomplish even a little of its appropriate labor, it must be furnished with the means to do so. These means are not in the treasury, and unless the Baptists of the South supply them they will not be forthcoming.

Shall the Board do its work, or shall it fail? From all quarters calls are made, and in every direction the hand of Providence is directing us to reap fields already white for the harvest, and in which now there are no reapers. The Territories are inviting sections, and the wild Indian tribes, some of whom are already willing to receive missionaries, are needing the gospel which we have to give, and which it is our duty to send to them. Shall we rise up to a sense of our duty and our privileges and work thus as our Master has commanded us? or shall we selfishly fold our arms and shut up our hearts and fail, to our unutterable shame? are questions which must be speedily decided by us; and inaction simply to do no more than we have been doing is *failure*.

Your committee earnestly desires and respectfully urges the adoption of some plan to meet the exigencies of the present and the demands of the future in reference to the noble work of Home Missions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. W. EASON.

Rev. J. A. Chambliss submitted the following report on Foreign Missions, which, after remarks by Brethren Gregory, Stout, B. W. Edwards and J. C. Furman, was adopted:

Report on Foreign Missions.

If the work of Foreign Missions were a human enterprise we should have to-day some reason for discouragement. We cannot see that we are making progress. In Africa we are only beginning a second time. The ground whichwe once held there has been lost, and except Bro. David who went out since our last Convention we have not a missionary upon that Continent —unless we may so regard a few native Christians who are performing a little gratuitous service. Science, ambition and greed of gain, lacking neither men nor money, have pressed forward over all obstacles, through all hardships, until their shouts of triumph come back to us from the very

sources of the Nile. But Christianity has stood off with folded hands, murmuring of difficulties, expense, past failures, and more favorable times to come.

In China, our mission stations are not multiplying, the number of converts is very little if at all greater than it was five years ago, and our missionary force instead of increasing is diminishing. Bro. Yates, through disease, has no longer the power of audible speech; Bro. Simmons has returned to America, and is now on the Pacific coast, under the appointment of another Board; Bro. Hartwell is also in this country again, with no hope of resuming his work among the heathen for months to come. All these are devoted and faithful men, who have only submitted to the will of God as manifest in his providence, but, none the less, our work in China has suffered the loss.

In Italy, we have as yet very little to show for the expenditure of time and money during the five years which have elapsed since we entered that field, Bro. Taylor toiling alone, except with, here and there, some native help; conversions few and apostacies many; no chapel yet at Rome, while more than twenty thousand dollars raised for that purpose years ago is still waiting an opportunity for its wise employment—locked up at Richmond.

And at home, what is the case? Our churches appear to be giving less thought and prayer and money to this cause than ever before. Perhaps other objects—especially the enlargement and firmer establishment of our educational institutions—have drawn off and absorbed their sympathies and co-operative energies, only for the present, so that we may reasonably hope for a revival of the missionary spirit after the Centennial movement shall have had its day. But the fact now is that there is no vigor, fervor or enthusiasm among the Baptists of the South in the prosecution of their Foreign Mission work.

If it were a human enterprise, as was said in the beginning, this showing would be discouraging. If a merchant finds his business falling off, if a farmer makes a poor crop for a year or two, how despondent he becomes. But, brethren, we are to encourage ourselves with reference to this cause, not in our success, not in the number of missionaries and converts, nor in the zeal and liberality of the masses, but in the Lord our God. It is surely his cause. It is advancing. The progress may not appear to our eyes as we look from day to day, but he who sees the end from the beginning can mark, we doubt not, the gradual, steady, glorious approach of the day when the heathen, the uttermost parts of the earth, shall be his possession. And even we, reviewing the past, and taking in a wide scope of years at a glance, comparing the field in which Judson and Boardman labored, suffered and died, or that of Shuck and Yates and Crawford when they began their work, with what we now behold in Burmah and China, cannot but cry, "What hath God wrought!" Let us then, *in the Lord our God*, in his faithfulness and power, in his exceeding great and precious promises, encourage our hearts. But let us remember that the faith which does not work is dead. If we truly believe, we shall love, if we love we shall pray, if we pray, we shall give and speak and *go* as God in his providence may enable us.

Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent, read the following report of the Executive Board:

Report of the State Mission Board.

To The Baptist Convention:

Dear Brethren: It is with feelings of gratitude to our gracious Heavenly Father that we come before you to render an account of our stewardship for the conventional year now closing. There has been a growing interest on the part of our brethren toward the work of our hands. We rejoice for *all* that we have been enabled to do, and feel that our labors have "*not been in vain.*" Truly may we raise here our "Ebenezer," and say, "*Hitherto hath the Lord helped us.*" His is the work and to him be the praise and blessing.

APPOINTMENTS.

1. Immediately after the last session of your body, we received propositions from the Walhalla Church for the appointment of Rev. A. Jæger as mission pastor at that point and Seneca City, on the Air-Line. After a careful investigation, Bro. Jæger was appointed to serve at these points, and such other adjacent points as might seem best, his salary being fixed at $250 from the Board and $150 from the church. At Walhalla his labors have been much blessed. In a meeting, in which he was aided by Brothers Mendenhall and Hiden, of Greenville, the church gained some valuable strength. A private letter assures us that "Brother Jæger has been the means of doing great good at Walhalla, and that there is no place in the State offering more encouraging prospects for your Board to aid in establishing a strong Baptist influence." It is thought that a small appropriation at this point for one more year will result in establishing the work. Brother Jæger gave two appointments per month to Walhalla, and, during his vacation, preached at Seneca and Pendleton each once per month. He reports—sermons preached, 75; prayer-meetings conducted, 20; conversions, 25; baptized, 14; restored, 3; Sabbath schools organized, 1; Sunday school addresses, 6; other addresses, 6; stations occupied, 3.

2. Rev. C. A. Baynard, who has served us for many years in the Beaufort destitution, was re-appointed, at a salary of $300 on the part of the Board and $400 from his Association. He has given his whole time to the work, and those to whom he was sent bear witness to his *earnestness in* and *consecration to* the work. This beloved missionary has been much afflicted this year by the loss by death of his only child and daughter, and we feel sure he will share the tender sympathies of this entire body. God has been very gracious in blessings upon his labors. He reports—sermons preached, 275; prayer-meetings conducted, 50; religious visits, 460; conversions, 40; baptisms, 34; restorations, 5; Sunday schools organized, 6; Sunday school addresses, 52; other addresses, 232; stations, 10; miles traveled, 3,000. Hardeeville, in this mission field, deserves special mention. Your Agent, assisted by Brothers Baynard and Jones, held a meeting of days here in October, and 11 were baptized. Sisters Hardee, Richardson and Williams, by their earnest and untiring efforts, have completed and paid for an exceedingly neat house of worship. These noble Christian women deserve special mention for their *loving work for*

Jesus. Truly *they have done what they could.* We hope to organize a church here in December. This being in the centre of a large field of destitution, we have special reasons to feel grateful to God for the work done.

3. Rev. F. Jones, our mission pastor at Beaufort, whose appointment runs from July to July, is still prosecuting his labors at that point. He enjoys the confidence and love of the entire community, and the work under him is steadily gaining ground. He feels confident in time that the church will become self-sustaining. They have asked us (for the year beginning 1st of July last) for only half the amount we gave them last year. This is encouraging, as showing a gain in strength and a willingness to relieve us as fast as possible. Brother Jones reports—sermons preached, 152; prayer-meetings held, 104; religious visits, 275; conversions in connection with his labors elsewhere, 5; baptized elsewhere, 8; Sunday schools organized, 1; Sunday school addresses, 62; other addresses, 60. He has preached on St. Helena Island and at Port Royal, and proposes, the ensuing year, to have a regular appointment at Port Royal.

4. The Welsh Neck Association, at its meeting in November, 1874, having decided to co-operate with your Board, submitted a proposition to us in January to appoint Rev. T. W. Hart mission pastor at Florence for one-half his time, and the other half at such points as their executive committee should suggest, pledging to us all their Association mission contributions. We at once appointed Brother Hart, at a salary of $500 from us and $300 from the church. He has been much blessed and encouraged at Florence. The church has been strengthened and developed, so much so that they expect to sustain their pastor next year with aid from us only to the extent of $200, instead of $500, as the present year. Brother Hart has labored also at Lynchburg and Cartersville, on the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, and at other points occasionally. Brother Hart's report has not come to hand, but will be printed with this report in the Minutes.

5. We have continued to supplement the salary of Rev. O. F. Gregory to the extent of $100. He has been largely sustained by the Charleston Association. His labors have been in the large destitution of the Charleston Association, embracing Mount Pleasant, Mount Hope, Forreston and Kingstree, although he has labored some at other points. Kingstree and Mount Hope are wonderful evidences of God's mercy and reviving grace. From being *dead*, they have become alive, and are now efficient and working churches. Forreston is a new and growing church. These three points will support Brother Gregory next year. But Mount Pleasant is very weak financially, and will *need*, and truly *deserves*, continued aid. Brother Gregory reports—sermons preached, 291; prayer-meetings, 109; religious visits, 330; conversions in connection with labors, 88; baptisms, 41; Sunday schools organized, 4; Sunday school addresses, 52; miles traveled, 4,722; stations, 11; ordained 2 deacons; dedicated 2 churches.

6. The Abbeville Mission has still engaged our attention, and we agreed to supplement the salary of Rev. R. N. Pratt to the extent of $150, besides which the Abbeville Association has aided him. He has prov d himself a wise and judicious worker, and the cause there is steadily gain-

ing ground. The church building is not yet completed, but the friends of this enterprise are hopeful that another year will see affairs there in a more established condition. As a centre of influence, this point demands continued efforts. Brother Pratt reports—sermons, 115; prayer-meetings, 30; conversions, 25; Sunday school addresses, 35.

7. Information having reached us that there was a good opening to establish a church at Johnson's, on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, we appointed Rev. L. Broaddus to labor there two Sabbaths in each month, at a salary of $200. The church was organized in March, with seventeen members. A meeting, conducted by Brother Broaddus, in which he was aided by Rev. A. B. Woodfin and your Agent, resulted in seven additions by baptism and one by letter, and, previous to this, seven others had been received. They are proposing to build an excellent house of worship, and, with aid for another year, will, we trust, become self-sustaining. Brother Broaddus reports—sermons, 30; religious visits, 88; conversions, 8; baptisms, 7; Sunday schools organized, 1; Sunday school addresses, 10; miles traveled, 484; stations, 1.

8. Rev. E. W. Peeples was appointed to labor once a month at Walterboro Court House, at a salary of $100. After a few months Brother Peeples generously proposed to look after the work there free of expense to the Board. He has a fine high school in operation at this place, numbering some 50 scholars, and the prospects for a church are encouraging. We understand that the Colleton Association has resolved to aid the brethren at Walterboro in building a house of worship. Brother Peeples reports—sermons, 18; conversions, 7; baptisms, 7; but these have not all been in Walterboro.

9. It was found that the Brunson Mission would need some assistance for another year, and we appropriated $50 to aid them. They are now in an encouraging condition, having nearly completed their house of worship, and will, we hope, be self-sustaining in the future.

10. The Executive Committee of the Tyger River Association informed us that there was a section in their bounds needing mission work, and recommended Rev. Perry Hawkins for said work. We appointed him and he labored for us 40 days at a cost of $61.50. He was much blessed in strengthening some weak churches. We regret that our funds did not permit us to continue his services. He reports—sermons, 23; religious visits, 146; conversions, 27; baptisms, 27; Sunday schools organized, 4; Sunday school and other addresses, 33; traveled 417 miles; ordained 2 deacons.

11. It was discovered that there was great necessity for undertaking some work in the upper part of Greenville and Pickens Counties. Rev. Geo. W. Singleton offered his services for 10 months for $125. He has been "instant in season and out of season," visiting weak churches, preaching in destitute parts of the mountains and laboring from house to house. The Twelve-Mile River Association has adopted measures to raise twenty cents per member for their membership next year to aid us in this work. Brother Singleton reports—sermons, 149; prayer-meetings, 102; religious visits, 180; conversions in connection with his labors, 165; baptisms, 119; [*Note*—Brother Singleton having lost a leg in the army, cannot baptize himself and others did it for him;] Sunday schools organized,

6; Sunday school addresses, 10; other addresses, 29; miles traveled, 1,042.

12. The Sumter Union proposed to us to appoint Rev. W. J. Hatfield to labor once per month at Maysville Station, on the Wilmington, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, pledging us $5 per month to aid in his support. He was appointed at a salary of $100. Owing to sickness he failed to have a meeting of days there during the summer. He does not think the prospect of immediate results there very encouraging, but believes the field worthy of culture. He reports—sermons, 15; religious visits, 12; conversions, 1; miles traveled, 440.

13. Early in the spring we engaged Dr. J. S. Jordan for the Air Line Mission; but soon after his appointment he decided to remove to another State, and we were fortunate in securing the services of Rev. J. C. Hudson. Brother Hudson has given two Sabbaths in the month to this work, and has labored at Easley's and Central. At Easley's he has been much blessed, and a meeting of days there resulted in 18 accessions, 17 by baptism and 1 by letter. They have completed and dedicated an excellent house of worship. They beg us to aid them one more year at least in some small amount. Brother Hudson reports—sermons, 37; prayer-meetings, 15: religious visits, 40; conversions, 15; baptisms, 15; Sunday school addresses, 5; miles traveled, 286. Salary, $100.

RESULTS OF WORK.

15. Missionaries, 13; sermons preached, 1,185; prayer-meetings held, 430; religious visits made, 1,351; conversions in connection with their labors, 411; baptisms, 283; Sunday schools organized, 22; Sunday school addresses, 265; other addresses, 327; churches organized, 2; sattions occupied, 25; miles traveled, 10,391.

THE GENERAL AGENT.

15. Your General Agent has visited 162 churches, lying in the Welsh Neck, Charleston, Savannah River, Edgefield, Tyger River, Broad River, Twelve-Mile River and Greenville Associations. He has attended 10 Associational meetings. He has preached 308 times, made 173 mission addresses, has conducted and assisted in many protracted meetings, and in connection with these labors witnessed some 90 conversions. He sold $90 worth of Baptist books; has aided in raising the endowment of Furman University, and collected, personally and otherwise, for all purposes, $3,655.25 in cash, and $385.50 in pledges.

BIBLE DISTRIBUTION, COLPORTAGE, EDUCATION AND SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

16. We have done nothing in the Bible distribution and colportage work. We have had no funds for education, but we are rejoiced to state that the majority of our Associations are aiding in the education of pious young men for the ministry. Dr. Broaddus has received $836.30 the past session for this purpose. There are at our Seminary 60 young men, and at the University 9, who are studying for the ministry. Besides this we have in the State two female colleges in successful operation. The one at Greenville has 115 pupils, and the one at Doko, on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, has about 70; while in various Associations our brethren are establishing Baptist high schools. The Sunday school work has been considered a part of the work of our missionaries, and they have

constantly given their aid and influence to its promotion. County Sunday school conventions are gaining ground, and we believe in a few years each county will have such an organization.

THE HOME MISSION BOARD.

17. We learn from Rev. J. K. Mendenhall, District Secretary of this Board, that the Baptists of the State have contributed to them about $1,-700 during the year. We think that the condition of this Board demands our serious and prayerful attention. It is doing a work not done by any other body, and should therefore enlist our warmest sympathy and enlarged contributions. At least $2,000 should be contributed annually to them by our constituents.

WORK DONE BY THE ASSOCIATIONS.

18. We have not been able to gather *complete* reports from the Associations. But if true reports could be secured, we feel persuaded that the aggregate contributions for the various missions and benevolent objects would not fall below $10,000, or an average of twenty cents per member for our 50,000 Baptists.

THE CONDITION OF THE BOARD.

19. The year we are just closing has. by general consent, been declared the most difficult and trying, financially, that our country has experienced since the war. It is not surprising therefore that our receipts have fallen below our necessities. In view of the difficulties under which our people have struggled, we feel that the liberality displayed towards us calls for devout gratitude to God, The entire obligations assumed by us since the close of your last session, including printing of Minutes, Agent's salary and traveling expenses, and the salaries of one or two missionaries, due first of last January, and salaries of missionaries for this year, amounts to $5,632.26. Our expenditures to date are $4,420.29, leaving an indebtedness of $1,211.97 to be provided for. Against this deficit we hold in cash and pledges $640.30. There will therefore be a balance due our missionaries on the 1st of January of $562.67, which is not yet provided for. But we trust by the blessing of God to be able to secure it before it is due. We call the attention of your body to the fact that the entire amount of our obligations for the whole year has been kept within a limit of about 70 per cent. of the $7,000 we asked our brethren to give us. Our recepts last year were, for all purposes, $3,751.33, and, as it was *reasonable to expect some increase in the work, we did increase it.* We have undertaken *only such* work as seemed *imperative* and which *faithfulness* to our trust demanded, while we have, for want of funds, turned away from work which promised rich results.

THE FUTURE.

With reference to the future we are in perplexity, and desire explicit instructions from your body. While there are some things to discourage us, there are many things to cheer our hearts and make the future exceedingly inviting and hopeful. We beg you to consider that 10 of our leading Associations have placed their work in our hands by co-operation, and we believe it is only a question of a few years deliberation when *all* of our Associations shall fall into line. Besides, the general sentiment of the masses of our people is growing in favor of the work.

It seems to your Board that we *cannot give up any of the work* we are

now doing without immense loss and retrograde. The condition of our work at Johnson's, on the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad, and on the Air-Line Railroad, is just in that condition that to leave it will be to lose most of what has been accomplished. At Hardeeville we ought to locate a man to take that point and the lower Beaufort field, which is exceedingly promising, while the Beaufort town mission cannot live without us. In the Welsh Neck and Charleston mission fields there is work that must be done. We ought to continue Brother Baynard, and, by having a man at Hardeeville, give Brother Baynard the Colleton mission field as a part of his work. The Moriah, Fairfield and Lexington destitutions have a large claim upon our sympathies; the church at Union Court House should be aided; while in the mountain districts there are many fields which we cannot leave neglected. Already from many destitute fields we have received earnest appeals for aid the coming year. We ask, *can we not arouse a general enthusiasm among the Baptists this year for missions and have a grand rally to its support?* If the Baptists of our State can only be induced to give us $7,000 the coming year, we can carry on the work already begun, enlarge our operations and have a *balance* at the end of the year with which to begin work. If our brethren will *only give us a fair start once* of $1,500 or $2,000, and then hold up our hands, we can, by God's blessing, carry this work to a grand success. We hope your body will thoroughly ventilate the subject and advise us fully.

A. W. LAMAR,
Secretary and Agent Executive Board.

Brethren Fred. Jones, W. J. Hatfield, G. W. Singleton, R. N. Pratt, J. C. Hudson, Luther Broadus and O. F. Gregory, missionaries of the Board, made interesting statements relative to their respective fields of labor, after which the report was laid on the table to be taken up after recess.

On motion of Bro. Judson—

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to consider and report upon a joint plan for carrying forward in this State the Centennial commemoration, and movement for the endowment of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the Furman University.

Brethren J. C. Furman, C. H. Judson, J. A. Chambliss, J. A. Broadus and John Stout were appointed said committee.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The President laid before the Convention a communication from Rev. M. W. Evans, pastor of the colored Baptist church in Spartanburg, asking aid in conducting the exercises of their Convention now in session at this place.

On motion of Bro. Vass, the President appointed Revs. J. C. Furman,

C. A. Baynard and W. E. Walters a committee to visit them (the colored brethren) and comply with their request.

Bro. Furman, from the Committee on the Centennial movement, reported as follows:

The Committee on the Centennial work have considered the subject submitted to them, and beg leave to report, That it is desirable that a joint effort be made to secure the sum of at least fifty thousand dollars by means of the Family Roll proposed to be used as the means for raising the Centennial funds to be gathered for the purposes of higher education —the said fifty thousand to be equally divided between the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and Furman University to be used in the endowment of a school in the Seminary and of the Presidency of the University. That a meeting be held on to-morrow evening, in which this plan shall be brought before the Convention and this community.

Adopted.

The report of the Executive Board was taken from the table, and after discussion was, on motion of Bro. Eason, referred to two committees—one on the Financial Condition of the Board, and one on the Future of the Board. The committees are as follows;

On the Financial Condition of the Board—Brethren B. W. Edwards, J. L. Coker, J. R. Leavell, E. R. Stokes, Wm. Thayer.

On the Future of the Board—Brethren F. W. Eason, W. C. Lindsay, W. T. Wright, C. C. Brown, C. A. C. Waller.

On motion of Bro. Edwards—

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to nominate a Board for the management of the fund for indigent ministers.

B. E. Elkin, B. Bonner, W. H. King, G. W. Singleton and B. G. Price were appointed on the committee.

Bro. Coker, from the Committee to Nominate Delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, submitted their report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee to Nominate Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention.

The Committee on Nomination of Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention ask leave to submit the following names:

J. L. Reynolds, J. C. Furman, J. A. Broadus, Wm. Williams, C. H. Toy, W. H. Whitsitt, J. G. Landrum, W. B. Carson, A. B. Woodfin, J. K. Mendenhall, L. H. Shuck, W. H. Strickland, A. W. Lamar, J. A. Chambliss, T. P. Smith, J. B. Patrick, B. W. Edwards, John Stout, J. O. B. Dargan, T. P. Lide, Sr., J. A. W. Thomas, J. W. Burn, J. H. Dargan, R. N. Pratt, J. C. Hiden, William Thayer, S. W. Bookhart, J. R. Leavell, I. G. McKissick, C. H. Judson, R. B. Watson, J. Vass, C. T. T. Scaife, R. W. Sanders, O. F. Gregory, F. W. Eason, W. C. Lindsay, W. L. Brown, C. C. Brown, L. Broadus, E. C. Rice, M. E. Broadus, E. R. Carswell, Jr., M. McGee, C. A. C. Waller, W. A. Gaines, T. W. Smith, J.

C. Hudson, A. K. Durham, Julius C. Smith, R. S. Griffin, A. B. Woodruff, J. D. Pitts, Robert Pratt, J. S. Murray, R. F. Whilden, R. H. Griffith, J. S. Withers, S. M. Richardson, L. C. Ezell, T. W. Hart, R. W. Lide, F. Jones, J. L. Coker, W. E. Walters.

We recommend that the Delegation be authorized to fill any vacancy in their number.

Respectfully submitted. J. L. COKER, Chairman.

Bro. Judson moved the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That 11 o'clock to-morrow be set apart for the consideration of the interests of Furman University, and to hear the report of the President of that Institution in regard to the progress of the endowment.

Carried.

Rev. Mr. Jameson was, on motion, allowed an opportunity to present the claims of the Southern Baptist Publication Society located at Memphis, Tenn.

The Secretary called attention to the Historical Society of the Convention, and asked for minutes, pamphlets, &c., of an historical character to be sent to his address at Greenville, S. C., for the use of the Society.

Adjourned after prayer by Rev. B. Bonner.

FRIDAY EVENING.

A mass-meeting was held this evening in the interest of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

After devotional exercises led by the President of the Convention, Rev. Dr. W. H. McIntosh, the new Secretary of the Board, and Revs. J. C. Furman and J. A. Broadus addressed the meeting.

A collection of dollars in cash and pledges was secured.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Convention met at 10 o'clock, and joined in singing the hymn, "Once more my soul the rising day." The President read a few verses from Romans viii. Prayer by Rev. W. L. Brown.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday read and adopted.

The report on Home Missions was, on motion, taken from the table and adopted.

Bro. Eason:

Report of Committee on the Future of the Board.

Your committee acknowledge with feelings of profound gratitude the goodness of God in the measure of success which has been vouchsafed to the Executive Board, and are encouraged to hope for greater success in the future. We believe that this work of State Missions is the great

means by which our Baptist brotherhood in South Carolina may be brought and made one in heart, as well as one in doctrine; and we are, therefore, rejoiced that so many of the Associations are co-operating with the Board in the prosecution thereof. We earnestly invite those who have not yet done so to cast in their lots and come with us, and earnestly recommend that the Board request these Associations to permit them to assist in their Associational Mission work, and render such help as is in their power.

We agree with the Board that none of the work which has been undertaken can be given up without immense loss. All the fields of labor are important ones, and have been selected with great wisdom. To abandon them would be to lose very valuable gains and surrender points which, in many instances, are sure, sooner or later, to become important centres—centres of influence from which the precious truths of the gospel may radiate to all around. Our motto ought ever to be onward. We therefore approve of what has already been done, and are impressed with a deep conviction that the operations of the Board ought to be enlarged, not only in the manner and direction suggested in their report, but even to a much greater extent than is now therein contemplated.

It is impossible that the General Agent visit every church in the State during the year; therefore, in order to more effectually secure this important end, we recommend that every pastor in the State be requested to interest himself in the work of State Missions, and that he make a positive effort to raise from every member in his church or churches a sum not less than twenty cents per member, to be devoted to this purpose; that he raise this amount in two installments—the first on the last day of February, and the second by the first of October, 1876. Surely this small amount will not be withheld. We know that it will not if the pastors will address themselves earnestly to its collection.

We are of the decided opinion that the employment of a General State Agent is indispensable to the work, and would deplore any departure from this plan of prosecuting it—a plan whose wisdom has been so signally established by the record of the past few years, and which is being adopted by business men in all departments as the one which is most practicable, and even necessary. As to the present General Agent, Rev. A. W. Lamar, we desire to express our gratification at his zeal and energy and industry, and to recommend him to the confidence and sympathy and co-operation of all the brethren.

FRED. W. EASON, Chairman.

After remarks by Brethren W. B. Elkin, F. W. Eason, A. W. Lamar R. H. Griffith and W. H. Strickland, the report was laid on the table to take up the special order.

Rev. J. C. Furman, President of Furman University, submitted report of President of Board of Trustees.

Remarks were made by Brethren W. L. Brown, J. G. Landrum, J. C. Furman, B. W. Edwards, J. J. Boyd and others. Some bonds were secured and the discussion closed.

Rev. C. H. Toy:

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools.

The Sunday school work now means, not the church engaged in teaching the children, but the church engaged studying and teaching the Bible. If it be true, as is undoubtedly the case, that the diffusion of sound Scriptural knowledge is largely dependent on Sunday schools, our zeal for them must be in proportion to our estimate of the value of Scripture-knowledge for our people.

We ought to have a place, and a high one, in our schemes of education. We properly give to the word *education* the comprehensive sense of the training of body, mind and soul—in our schemes what place do we assign to instruction in the Scriptures, without which there can now be no solid growth of the soul? We found Academies for youth of both sexes, Colleges for young men, Theological Seminaries for young preachers; where is the provision for the masses of the people to learn the Bible? True, the family is a place for the religious instruction of children, and so is the house of God with its services; but—not to insist that there are many unchristian families, that in many Christian households the study of the Scriptures is neglected, and that parents as well as children need teaching—it may safely be asserted that the instruction in good Sunday schools is in general more thorough and satisfactory than the home-instruction or that of the pulpit can be.

In the great fundamental work that is laid on us of the training of the world to the highest point of spiritual efficiency, a prominent place must be given to the learning of the Scriptures; our object must be to unite the whole mass of our people in the most systematic and thorough study of the Bible that is possible for them, and the best Bible school is the Sunday school.

As to our own Sunday school work in this State it is almost impossible to make a detailed report, but its chief needs may be said to be these three:

(1) *A larger attendance by church-members.*

At present a small minority belong to the schools; the rolls ought to include the large majority, old and young, male and female—everybody, if possible—attendance should be felt to be as much a religious duty as anything else. A Sunday school co-extensive with the church, every member a diligent student of the Bible, would be something pleasant to look on, and its work would be good.

The securing this result must be left largely at present to the faithful admonitions and labors of the pastors.

(2) *More thoroughly prepared teachers.*

The general unpreparedness and incompetency of our teachers (now so painfully evident) is due to various causes.

Partly it is the fault of teachers themselves, who will not take time and trouble to study lessons and the Bible at large. Here also pastors must speak urgently in private and in public.

In part it is due to the lack of suitable aids to study. There are lamentably few books owned and read. To remedy this we must cultivate the virtue of book-buying, and Schools may purchase books of reference for teachers, to be taken to their houses or consulted in the school-room.

But in many cases the real source of inadequate teaching is the general lack of training in the teachers. They do not know how to study. This

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difficulty will be in part removed by the diffusion of secular education. But we want something more than the secularly educated men and women. Many a man of fair general knowledge is a child in the Scriptures. We must have some teachers that have been trained to careful, systematic study of the Bible, that have had a biblical education. Let them get this education where they can—by their private study, with the help of the pastor or other friends, in Normal Schools, or at the Theological Seminary. Our Seminary is open to such as would prepare themselves by general study of the Bible for teaching the Bible to others; and why should a teacher of the Bible not prepare hinself for his work as well as a teacher of Latin or Geography?

The special value of Normal Schools is obvious; there ought to be one such in connection with every Sunday school. Let the pastor establish one, if he has time, (and few works would be more profitable, more remunerative to him), or the Superintendent, or any teacher, or anybody that is interested and capable.

At all events, it is a necessity for us to have competent teachers.

(3) *A completer organization.*

At present we have little or no system and combination in our work; we are without the support and stimulus of one another's sympathy and wisdom. It is necessary that we know each what the others are doing, and what parts of the field of the State are occupied or unoccupied, and that we consult about the best plans of work. In order to this we should have Conventions or Institutes in all the Counties or District Associations, and a general Convention embracing all the schools of the State. We should set on foot some plan of obtaining complete statistics of the work, so that in each County or Township we may know the number of persons that attend or do not attend Sunday school, and exhibit the results on maps. Marking the destitute places black and the supplied places white, we might then from year to year trace the disappearance of the one and the spread of the other with a satisfaction like that which the late Emperor Napoleon felt at seeing the white of secular education spreading over the face of France, or like that which our Corresponding Secretary for State Missions feels as he points out to us on his maps the increasing number of the marks that indicate our mission stations.

It is not intended in this report to do more than urge on the brethren the necessity of wider and deeper work in biblical instruction, and the imperative demand for immediate action. The details of work are left to other hands.

Respectfully submitted.

Referred to special committee, viz: O. F. Gregory, W. H. Strickland and F. C. v. Borstel.

Rev. L. H. Shuck:

Report of Committee to Nominate Executive Board.

Committee to nominate the Executive Board report the following:

Rev. A. B. Woodfin, President; J. R. Leavell, Vice-President; Rev. A. W. Lamar, Corresponding Secretary and General Agent; Winthrop Williams, Treasurer; Wm. H. Lyles, Auditor; C. M. McJunkin, E. R.

Stokes, Rev. W. A. Pearson, R. B. Watson, Dr. S. W. Bookhart, Rev. B. F. Corley, Rev. R. W. Sanders, J. W. McCurry.

Respectfully submitted.

L. H. SHUCK,
L. BROADUS,
C. C. BROWN,
W. L. BROWN,
JOHN STOUT,
Committee.

Adopted.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The President called the Convention to order at 3 o'clock.

Rev. G. S. Anderson submitted the following preamble and resolutions, which were discussed and adopted:

WHEREAS, Funds, amounting to one hundred dollars, collected by Rev. Thomas Mason for the purpose of erecting a Baptist church at Lancaster C. H., having been paid over to the officers of this Convention and appropriated to the purposes of the same; and whereas, the Lancaster Church now in her poverty is struggling to erect a house of worship, the same for which the above named amount was raised; therefore,

Resolved, That the said amount of one hundred dollars, without interest, be refunded by the Executive Board of this Convention to the said Lancaster Church.

Resolved, That the General Agent of the State Board be instructed to apply one hundred dollars of moneys hereafter to be collected for State Missions in the erection of a church building, to be erected at Lancaster C. H., in lieu of the one hundred dollars turned over to the Board by mistake of the executor of Rev. Thomas Mason.

Bro. B. W. Edwards submitted Report on the Financial Condition of Executive Board. The report was discussed by Brethren B. W. Edwards, A. K. Durham, W. B. Elkin, A. W. Lamar and J. C. Hiden, and adopted.

On motion of Bro. Eason, the report on the Future of the Executive Board was taken from the table and adopted.

Bro. Eason offered the following, which was adopted:

Owing to the great pressure of business which has been upon Dr. J. C. Furman for the past six months.

Resolved, That the Doctor be requested to preach the sermon appointed for this meeting at the next meeting.

The following preamble and resolutions, offered by Bro. B. W. Edwards, were discussed and adopted:

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, some years since, resolved to remove the Seminary from Greenville to Kentucky on the condition that that State should contribute the

sum of three hundred thousand dollars towards its endowment; and whereas, the time has elapsed in which it was expected that that amount would be secured, and, as we are informed, much yet remains to be done; therefore,

Resolved, 1*st*. That this Convention recommend to that Board a reconsideration of their resolution to remove the Seminary from Greenville if, at its next meeting, the conditions of its removal shall not have been complied with.

Resolved, 2*nd*. That if said Board shall find it expedient and practicable to continue the Seminary in its present central position, we pledge the hearty moral and pecuniary support of the Baptists of South Carolina; and we invite the Baptists of Kentucky and of other States to cooperte with us in an effort to raise an endowment of five hundred thousand dollars to maintain that cherished Institution in its present locality.

Resolved, 3*rd*. That Dr. J. C. Furman, J. G. Landrum and J. L. Reynolds be a committee of three to communicate these resolutions to the Board of the Seminary at its next meeting.

Rev. O. F. Gregory submitted the following report:

The Committee to whom was referred the Repoat of the Committee on Sunday Schools respectfully recommend:

1. That every effort be made to diffuse Sunday School literature, especially "Kind Words," "The Normal Class Manual," and the "Baptist Teacher."

2. That the pastors of churches are urged to interest all the members of their churches in the Sunday school.

3. That a Sunday School Convention be held on Wednesday night and Thursday preceding the next meeting of the State Convention, and that all the Sunday schools in the State be requested to send delegates.

4. That in order to carry out this design, a committee be appointed to prepare a programme for that meeting, and report through "The Working Christian."

5. That Sunday School Conventions or Institutes be formed in those Counties or Associations in which they do not now exist.

6. That the formation of Normal Schools or Classes is recommended.

7. That they recommend the examination and adoption of the system of Uniform Lessons.

O. F. GREGORY,
W. H. STRICKLAND,
F. C. v. BORSTEL.

Bro. Lindsay:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention be instructed to print two thousand copies of the Minutes of this Convention, distribute them by mail, and draw on the Executive Board for payment of the expenses.

Rev. L. H. Shuck:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the citizens of Spartanburg who have so kindly entertained us during our ses-

sion, to the various railroad companies that have generously given delegates free return tickets to their homes, and to all the Christian brethren of other denominations who have tendered to us the use of their houses of worship.

Bro. Smith, from the Committee on Time and Place and Persons to Preach, recommended that the Convention meet on Thursday before the last Sunday in November, 1876, at 10 A. M. That it then organize, hear reports and appoint committees, and adjourn till night, when the Introductory Sermon will be preached. The committee recommend that Rev. W. H. Strickland preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. J. A. Chambliss, alternate; that Rev. J. C. Hiden preach the Missionary Sermon, Rev. W. H. Whitsitt, alternate. No application having been made for the Convention by any church, the committee cannot recommend a place.

Report adopted as regards time of meeting and persons to preach, and committee continued with instructions to report on place of meeting as early as practicable.

Bro. B. E. Elkin submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee report the following named brethren:

Wm. Thayer, T. P. Smith, Zimmerman Davis, J. G. Milnor, G. W. McIver, S. W. Bookhart, Charles Crosland, J. R. Leavell, Dr. John Boyd.

Respectfully submitted.

B. E. ELKIN,
B. BONNER,
W. H. KING,
G. W. SINGLETON,
B. F. PRICE,
Committee.

Adjourned to meet to-night after the mass-meeting.

SATURDAY EVENING.

The Convention assembled about 7 o'clock. Singing by the choir. Rev. Dr. Boyce read Isaiah lx. Prayer by Rev. J. C. Furman. An address by Dr. Boyce on the Centennial movement.

The President then called the Convention to order.

On motion of Rev. J. A. Broadus—

Resolved, That the new Board examine the report of the Treasurer of the Executive Board, and prepare it for publication in the Minutes.

Rev. J. C. Furman:

The Committee on Obituary Notices beg leave to report: That during the past year four of our ministering brethren have passed away from this scene of things, viz: R. J. Towil of Edgefield County, J. M. Landress of Anderson, W. M. Morton of Oconee, and Thomas H. Pope of Abbeville.

Bro. TOWIL, originally from Virginia, had been for several years a

resident in Edgefield County in this State. He was a good man, of moderate gifts. For some time before his death he had fallen into a state of mental derangement, and in this condition, while his watchers were asleep, he inflicted upon his person injury which proved fatal.

Bro. MORTON died in the meridian of life, and was esteemed a good and useful man.

Bro. LANDRESS was more advanced in life. He had labored for many years within the bounds of the Saluda Association. With little early culture he possessed more than common mental activity. A thirst for knowledge led him in his old age to attempt the acquisition of Greek in order that he might read the New Testament in the language in which it was given.

It is not known that either of these brethren ever appeared as delegates to this body, but they deserve an honorable mention as good and faithful servants of our Lord Jesus Christ.

To say nothing of the stricken family, the death of Bro. POPE in the prime of life and in the midst of abundant usefulness, is a grievous loss to those whom he was wisely and faithfully following, to the Abbeville Association over which he presided as Moderator, and to a large circle of personal friends and co-laborers who were bound to him by no common ties. The beautiful traits of his character, hanging in even balance, could not but endear him to any heart capable of appreciating high moral and religious worth. Good sense and good nature, candor and gentleness, quietness and energy, a cheerful spirit and a deep devoutness, were some of the blended qualities which made him, in very marked degree, the object of esteem and love. He was an early Agent of the Board of State Missions of this Convention, and we are now enjoying the fruits of the fidelity and prudence with which he introduced to the churches throughout the State the plans on which we are now working with such encouraging success.

Respectfully submitted.

On motion of Bro. Judson—

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed in Greenville to carry on the Centennial movement.

C. H. Judson, J. C. Furman, J. C. Hiden, J. A. Broadus and C. H. Toy were appointed on said committee.

On motion of Bro. A. K. Durham, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

The following is the Committee on Programme of Sunday School Convention: C. H. Toy, O. F. Gregory, W. H. Strickland, John Stout, F. C. v. Borstel.

Bro. Stout moved an adjournment, to meet on Sunday night after preaching. Adopted.

SUNDAY.

Preaching to-day in the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches.

SUNDAY EVENING.

The Convention was called to order after the sermon.

Rev. J. C. Furman moved a re-consideration of the resolutions adopted relative to the Centennial movement. The motion was carried.

On motion of Bro. Furman, the report of the committee on the Centennial work was amended by striking out the words "to be used in the endowment of a school in the Seminary and of the Presidency of the University."

By Rev. J. L. Vass:

WHEREAS, It is the desire of many of the members of this body, and of the brethren in other Southern States, to attend the Centennial Celebration in Philadelphia;

Resolved, 1*st*. That the officers of the Southern Baptist Convention be requested to postpone the meeting of that body to a time best suited to accommodate those who wish to attend both meetings.

Resolved, 2*nd*. That the Secretary of this body be requested to communicate this action to the President and Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention.

On motion of Bro. Eason, the place of next meeting was referred to the Executive Board.

After a closing address by the President, the Convention joined in singing the hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds," and gave each other the parting hand.

Prayer by Rev. J. C. Furman.

REV. J. L. REYNOLDS, *President*.

JOHN B. PATRICK, }
O. F. GREGORY, } *Secretaries*.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

WINTHROP WILLIAMS, Treasurer, In acc't with the Executive Board Baptist Convention of South Carolina:

1874.		Dr.	
Nov.	23.	To Balance	$ 228 82
Dec.	4.	To cash from Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent,	259 50
"	15.	" " " " " " " "	8 50
1875.			
Jan.	11.	To cash from Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent,	24 05
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Feb.	28.	" " " " " " " "	159 02
March	13.	" " " Columbia Church, Sunday School....	2 05
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April	16.	" " " Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent,	190 04
July	10.	" " " " " " " "	75 00
Aug.	21.	" " " " " " " "	160 00
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"	30.	" " " Messrs. C. T. Lowndes & Co., loan on note in May last	800 00
"	30.	" Cash from Sumter Union, per J. M. Curry, on August 28th,	15 00
		Total	$4684 07

1874.		Cr.	
Dec.	1.	By cash paid for P. O. order	$ 50
"	1.	" Rev. C. A. Baynard, missionary, on account,....	50 00
"	3.	" " A. W. Lamar, salary to Jan. 1st, 1875,....	100 00
"	3.	" " C. A. Baynard, " " " " "	25 00
"	11.	" " W. B. Elkin, missionary, to Jan. 1st, 1875,	50 00
"	11.	" " R. N. Pratt, " " " " "	50 00
"	14.	" " W. A. Gaines and Rev. A. P. Pugh, salary in full as missionaries,	27 75
"	16.	" Rev. W. A. Pearson, travelling expenses to and from Board meeting,	2 20

Dec.	18.	" R. B. Watson, travelling expenses to and from Board meeting,.....		4 30
"	18.	" Dr. S. W. Bookhardt, to and from Board meeting for travelling expenses in 1873–74,.....		10 00
"	31.	" Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent, on account salary,.....		100 00
"	31.	" Bill of printing for General Agent,.....$ 8 50		
"	31.	" " " Postage " " " 17 20		
"	31.	" " " Travelling expenses for Gen. Agt, 6 25–		31 95
1875.				
Jan.	18.	By Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent, for travelling expenses and postage, ...		31 95
"	29.	" Rev. W. A. Pearson, travelling expenses to and from Board meeting,.....		4 30
Feb.	6.	" E. R. Stokes, bill of stationery, as ordered by the Board,.....		10 70
"	18.	" Rev. W. J. Hatfield, missionary, on acc't salary,		50 00
Jan.	31.	" " A. W. Lamar, Gen. Agent, on acc't salary,		125 00
"	31.	" Postage for the General Agent $24 05		
"	31.	" Travelling expenses for General Agent.. 35 25–		59 30
Feb.	28.	" Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent, salary,.....		101 27
"	28.	" Rev. C. A. Baynard, missionary, salary,.....		25 00
"	28.	" " A. W. Lamar, travelling expenses,.....		32 75
March	9.	" " W. A. Pearson, travelling expenses to and from Board meeting,.....		4 30
"	12.	" *Union-Herald* Publishing Co., for printing minutos of 1874, on account,.....		75 00
"	26.	" Rev. B. F. Corley, travelling expenses to and from Board meeting,.....		1 50
April	16.	" Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent, on acc't salary for March,.....		125 00
"	16.	" Travelling expenses General Agent $17 35		
"	16.	" Postage General Agent 2 05		
"	16.	" Expressage on money, General Agent,... 1 00–		20 40
"	16.	" Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent, on account February salary,.....		23 73
"	30.	" Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent, on account April salary,.....		20 94
May	21.	" *Union-Herald* Publishing Co., in full for printing minutes of 1874, paid to E. R. Stokes, as per order,.....		54 20
"	29.	" Rev. F. Jones, missionary, on account,.....		250 00
"	26.	" " O. F. Gregory, " " "		32 00
"	26.	" " R. N. Pratt, " " "		50 00
"	27.	" " A. Jæger, " " "		50 00
"	28.	" " L. Broaddus, " " "		50 00
"	25.	" Postage for Treasurer's use.....		1 70
June	1.	" Rev. C. A. Baynard, missionary, on account,....		50 00
"	1.	" " T. W. Hart, " " "		125 00
"	8.	" " W. A. Pearson, on account travelling ex-		

		penses to Board meeting,.....		2 60
July	5.	" Rev. G. W. Singleton, missionary, on account,...		5 00
Aug.	21.	" " A. W. Lamar, General Agent, on account of salary,.....		432 76
"	21.	" Rev. H. C. Smart, missionary, on account,.....		25 00
"	21.	" " B. F. Corley, on account of travelling expenses to Board meeting,.....		1 50
"	21.	" R. B. Watson, travelling expenses to Board meeting,.....		4 40
"	21.	" Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent—		
		On account of postage.....$13 30		
		" " " Printing..... 5 00		
		Expressage on money..... 1 00		
		Travelling expenses..... 35 30–		54 60
"	28.	" Rev. W. J. Hatfield, missionary, on account,...		15 00
Sept.	1.	" " A. Jæger, " " " ...		60 00
"	1.	" " T. W. Hart, " " " ...		50 00
"	6.	" " E. W. Peoples, " " " ...		50 00
"	6.	" " C. A. Baynard, " " " ...		75 00
"	30.	" " L. Broaddus. " " " ...		25 00
Oct.	15.	" " A. W. Lamar, General Agent—		
		Travelling expenses.....$30 95		
		Postage..... 5 55		
		Printing circulars..... 1 50–		38 00
"	15.	" Rev. A. W. Lamar, Gen. Agent, on acc't salary,		192 24
		" " " " " " " " "		75 27
"	20.	" " L. Broaddus, missionary, on account,...		12 50
"	20.	" " G. W. Singleton, " " " ...		22 50
Oct.	28.	" Rev. T. W. Hart, missionary, on account,.....		72 00
Nov.	2.	" Rev. A. W. Lamar, General Agent, travelling expenses,.....$10 45		
"	2.	" Postage..... 85–		11 30
"	4.	" Messrs. C. T. Lowndes & Co., on acc't of note,.....$300 00		
		Discount and interest..... 20 50–		320 50
"	9.	" Rev. P. Hawkins, missionary, on account,.....		61 50
"	9.	" " W. J. Hatfield, " " "		30 00
"	25.	" " L. Broaddus, " " "		5 00
"	26.	" " O. F. Gregory, " " "		22 00
"	26.	" " F. Jones, " " "		125 00
"	26.	" " O. F. Gregory, " " "		28 00
"	26.	" " J. C. Hudson, " " "		25 00
"	27.	" " W. J. Hatfield, " " "		20 00
"	27.	" " G. W. Singleton, " " "		46 70
"	27.	" " C. A. Baynard, " " "		100 00
"	27.	" " R. N. Pratt, " " "		50 00
"	27.	" " L. Broaddus, " " "		52 50
"	27.	" " G. W. Singleton, " " "		50 80
"	30.	" " A. W. Lamar, General Agent, travelling expenses,.....		34 22

Nov.	30.	" Rev. A. Jæger, missionary, on account,.....	100 00
"	30.	" " H. C. Smart, " " "	25 00
"	30.	" " A. W. Lamar, General Agent, on acc't of salary,.....	94 96
"	30.	" Rev. T. W. Hart, missionary, on account.....	2 65
"	30.	" Missions, Home and Foreign,.....	126 05
"	30.	" Rev. J. C. Butler, missionary, in full, paid June 1st, 1875,.....	50 00
		Total expenditures.....	$4420 29
Dec.	1.	By balance on hand.....	263 78
			$4684 07

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